

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims by deleting the language which is enclosed in brackets
"[]" and inserting the language which is underlined "_____".

1.(Canceled)

2.(Currently Amended) [The] Δ blanket elevation apparatus [of Claim 1,] comprising a base frame retainer, said base frame retainer is adapted to be slidably positioned between an upper mattress and a lower box spring of a traditional bed, wherein said base frame retainer defines a U-shaped, upper horizontal component, a generally square-shaped, tubular lower horizontal component, and a U-shaped vertical component, said U-shaped vertical component is integrally disposed between said upper horizontal component and said tubular lower horizontal component; and
a bedding elevator, said bedding elevator is adapted to be removably connected to said base frame retainer.

3.(Original) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim 2, wherein said tubular lower horizontal component is positioned between the upper mattress and the lower box spring of traditional bed, whereby said vertical component abuts an end wall of the upper mattress.

4.(Original) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim 2, wherein said upper horizontal component has forward ends being crisped slightly upward so as to facilitate ease when slidably positioning said base frame retainer between the upper mattress and the lower box spring.

5.(Currently Amended) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim [1]2, wherein said bedding elevator includes a pair of cylindrical, parallel-oriented lower leg members, wherein each of said lower leg members has a rearward end which extends vertically therefrom into parallel tubular uprights.

6.(Original) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim 5, wherein each of said parallel tubular uprights has a curved upper end which extends horizontally to form a pair of parallel, cylindrical bedding supports having a cross member integrally disposed therebetween.

7.(Original) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim 4, wherein said upper horizontal component has a pair of leg tubes integrally disposed in a parallel manner atop said upper horizontal component, and wherein said pair of leg tubes has a leg entry portal at ends thereof for slidably receiving lower leg members of said bedding elevator.

8.(Original) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim 7, wherein said lower leg

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members of said bedding elevator have a diameter measuring slightly less than a diameter of said pair of leg tubes, and wherein said lower leg members are removably held within said pair of leg tubes via frictional impingement, thereby elevating said bedding elevator above an upper surface of the upper mattress, and thus facilitating support of bedding associated with traditional bed atop said bedding elevator so as to support the bedding in spaced relation to the upper mattress in order to prevent entanglement of one's feet and ankles with the bedding.

9.(Original) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim 8, wherein said bedding elevator is available in a plurality of various sizes providing a plurality of tubular uprights defining various linear lengths, thereby affording a bed occupant with selective vertical adjustment of the bedding.

10.(Currently Amended) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim [1]2, wherein said base frame retainer and said bedding elevator is fabricated of stainless steel which is encapsulated with a soft, pliable rubber material to prevent harm to skin of bed occupant.

11.(Currently Amended) The blanket elevation apparatus of Claim [1]2, wherein said base frame retainer and said bedding elevator is fabricated of a rigid plastic material encapsulated with a soft, pliable rubber material to prevent harm to skin of bed occupant.